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For: CATHETER HAVING AN IMPROVED TORQUE TRANSMITTING SHAFT

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AMENDMENT

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By Kathleen L. Boekley
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Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 29, 2004, with a shortened statutory period set to expire on March 29, 2005. As a Priority Response was submitted, and the Advisory Action was mailed April 18, 2005, the one-month extension period for response is now set to expire May 18, 2005. Applicant petitions herewith for a One-Month Extension of Time.

Please consider the following amendments and/or remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 11 of this paper.